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VALDOSTA, Ga. - In a rematch of last year's national semifinals, the top-ranked and defending NCAA Division II national champion West Florida men's tennis team edged No. 5-ranked Armstrong State University, 5-4, on Saturday in a neutral site match played on the campus of Valdosta State University.

The Pirates (4-1) dropped their first match of the season to the Argos (3-0) as West Florida won four of six singles matches to overcome a 2-1 deficit after doubles. Armstrong returns to action on Sunday, facing No. 3-ranked Barry at 2:00 p.m. in Winter Park, Fla.

Armstrong picked up two key doubles wins to take the one-point advantage heading into singles play. The duo of **Otakar Lucak** and Marek Pesicka outlasted the duo of Elio Latella and Warren Kuhn, 9-8 (3), at No. 1 doubles, while the duo of **Ignacio Hernandez** and **Damian Okrutny** beat Pablo Borrero and Pablo Tellez, 9-7, at No. 3 doubles. West Florida's doubles point came at No. 2 doubles, where Alex Peyrot and Kenny Brasil downed **Luca Cerin** and **Jan Porteset**, 9-8 (3).

The Argos then took the match by winning four of six singles in straight sets. No. 8-ranked Peyrot downed Lucak, 6-2, 6-3, at No. 1 singles, while Kuhn upended No. 18-ranked Hernandez, 6-4, 6-1, at No. 2 doubles. No. 30-ranked Brasil beat Cerin, 6-4, 6-1, at No. 3 singles and Douglas Boe defeated Porteset, 6-4, 6-3, at No. 6 singles.

Armstrong picked up singles wins at No. 4 singles, where Pesicka defeated Borrero, 7-6, 6-4, and at No. 5 singles, where Okrutny won a third-set 10-point tiebreaker, 7-6, 1-6, (10-4) over Latella.



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